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FM AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8148

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SUBJECT: HOUSING FUNDS FOR SEABEE

REF: A) ABIDJAN 1342 B) ABIDJAN 2991 C) STATE 074976

1. SEABEE BUI LONNIE DILL AND WIFE ARRIVE ABIDJAN 30 APRIL 74 TO REPLACE SEABEE GRIFFIN, WHOSE ETD IS 9 JUNE 74. POST HAS NO AVAILABLE HOUSING, NO MONEY, AND NO OBLIGATION NUMBERS AGAINST WHICH TO SEEK HOUSING, FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT FOR DILL.

2. SEABEE ARMSTRONG WILL ARRIVE ABIDJAN BEFORE JUNE (EXACT ETA UNKNOWN). ARMSTRONG IS ADDITIONAL SEABEE BEING SENT TO ABIDJAN UNDER ANTI-TERRORISM PACKAGE FUNDING. POST HAS NO HOUSING, NO FURNITURE, NO APPLIANCE AND NO MONEY OR OBLIGATION NUMBER WITH WHICH TO PROCURE ANY OF THE ABOVE FOR ARMSTRONG.

3. EMBASSY PROPOSES THAT DEPARTMENT MAKE AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY FROM ANTI-TERRORISM PACKAGE FUNDS TO LEASE AND FURNISH AN APARTMENT FOR ARMSTRONG WHICH CAN BE USED BY DILL FROM APRIL 30 UNTIL APPROXIMATELY JUNE 13 WHEN GRIFFIN'S HOUSE WILL BECOME AVAILABLE.

4. BECAUSE OF THE IMMINENT ARRIVAL OF DILL, FURNITURE AND APPLIANCES MUST BE PROCURED LOCALLY. EMBASSY HAS INDICATED IN REFTEL (A) FUNDING NEEDED FOR EACH SEABEE, I.E., RENTAL DOLS 7,200, FURNITURE AND APPLIANCES DOLS 5,800, SETTLING-IN COSTS DOLS 2,500.

5. WE HAVE POINTED OUT IN REFTEL (B), WE MUST HAVE OBLIGATION
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NUMBERS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL OF THE SEABEES. IF FUNDS CANNOT BE

MADE AVAILABLE PRIOR TO APRIL 30, DILL SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT
TRAVEL.
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